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Sir:

This is a preliminary amendment to the patent application identified above. Prior to examination of the subject application, please enter the following amendments to the specification and claims:

## **AMENDMENTS**

## IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claims 83/103 and add new claims 104-154 as follows:

- 104. (New) A monoclonal antibody of a portion thereof, comprising a property selected from the group consisting:
  - (a) reactive to human, mouse and rate connective tissue growth factors (CTGFs);
  - (b) reactive to both human and mouse CTGFs but not reactive to rat CTGF;
  - (c) reactive to both mouse and fat CTGFs but not reactive to human CTGF;
  - (d) reactive to rat CTGF;
- (e) inhibiting binding of human CTGF to human kidney-derived fibroblast cell line 293-T (ATCC CRL1573), or the binding of mouse CTGF to said cell line 293-T;
- (f) inhibiting binding of human CTGF to any cells of rat kidney-derived fibroblast cell line NRK-49F (ATCC CRL-1570), human osteosarcoma-derived cell line MG-63 (ATCC CRL-1427), or human lung-derived fibroblasts;
- (g) inhibiting cell/proliferation of rat kidney-derived fibroblast cell line NRK-49F (ATCC CRL-1570) induced by stimulus with human or mouse CTGF;

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